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WAITE ON STAND TRIES TO PROVE SELF INSANE

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once in rice pudding, and then once in hot milk.

Waite told of sleeping on the couch on the night before his father-in-law's death so as not to disturb his wife. He got up an hour after retiring, as said, and administered chloroform to Mr. Peck.

Telling of his acquaintance with Mrs. Horton, Waite said he heard her sing at a theater here last fall and went frequently just to hear her. He met her behind the scenes, he said, and saw her every day after that becoming "very fond of her."

"Did she seem to reciprocate?" asked Mr. Deuel.

"She did," Waite replied. He then told of taking up with her the studying of foreign languages and dramatic expression.

"At 11 o'clock in the morning," he said, "we used to go to school together. Then we would have luncheon somewhere. Afterward we would go to the Plaza (where their studio was located) or I would take her to her music instructor and would wait for her. Then we would go to the Plaza and study languages and play for a couple of hours. In the evening we often went to the opera together."

"Did you ever meet her husband?" the witness was asked.

"I have seen him."

"Did you ever tell your wife about Mrs. Horton?"

"No."

Waite related his efforts to induce Eugene Oliver Kane, the embalmer, to put arsenic in a sample of embalming fluid which was to be sent to the district attorney's office. He gave Kane \$5,000 down, he said, and agreed to give him \$40,000 more later.

"What was your purpose in administering arsenic to all those people?"

"I wanted them to die."

"Why?"

"I wanted their money."

"When did you first get this idea?"

"About the first time I met Miss Clara Peck."

Early in his examination tonight, Waite admitted that he had had degenerate traits since he was a boy.

Earlier in the day his counsel had stated he would prove the self-confessed poisoner of his wife's parents was insane at the time the crime charged against him was committed. The prisoner's story was devoted largely to admissions of his life history from the time he was a boy until he suffered \$10 from the purse of the mother of the girl he married while he was courting Miss Peck. He told also of his wooing of his wife who sat not far from him in the court room with head bowed, while he testified. The young dentist was preceded on the witness stand by his father, Warren Waite, and his brothers, Frank and Clyde.

The father told of a taint of insanity in his family in the hope of thereby aiding his son. All three related incidents in the defendant's life designed to show that he was peculiar even as a boy and that his thievery always was a problem for the family.

The testimony of relatives was supplemented by the depositions of family friends and college classmates of Waite, who told of his thefts and peculiarities. Walter R. Deuel, counsel for the defense, in his examination of witnesses and by his deposition sought to show that Waite was mentally unsound.

Waite seemed calm when he took the witness stand. The court room was sultry but he buttoned his coat tightly around him. He smiled almost constantly during his examination but appeared resigned and collected.

The dentist commenced his life story by recalling that as a child he was cruel to animals. He yawned as he told of "shrieking" home work in his school days. Then he recounted how he stole examination papers, copied them from papers of his classmates, stole from everyone for whom he worked as a boy and then robbed his fraternity brothers while attending the university of Michigan. His face flushed as he recounted some of the escapades of his student days.

His total thefts during his freshman year at college amounted to about \$500, he said. He was expelled from his fraternity while a sophomore, for stealing, but was reinstated in his senior year. In his second college year he paid part of his expenses by waiting on table and caring for a furnace. At that time he began to attend church regularly although he had no religious convictions. He asserted, however, that he did not steal during the time he was a church attendant.

After leaving college he told of a trip through Canada where he made his living by cheating at pool. He then went to Scotland where he took a special course in Edinburgh university. He said he "doctored" his diploma from the University of Michigan so he could get credit for certain studies and thereby shorten his course in dentistry.

From Edinburgh, Waite went to South Africa where he traveled for a dental supply house. He said he stole \$1,500 from his employers the first year and increased the amount each year of

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY OFFICERS FOR YEAR

The following officers of the Rebekah Assembly were elected and installed at the close of the session here:

President: Mrs. Jennie Moore, Morenci; warden: Mrs. Elizabeth Tappin, Clifton; secretary: Mrs. Nettie Scott, Phoenix; treasurer: Mrs. Allie Dickerman, Tucson; chaplain: Mrs. Mary Metcalf, Douglas; marshal: Mrs. Emma Kirkland, Safford; conductor: Mrs. Nettie Tenkin, Bisbee; I. G., Mrs. Madeline Hink, Winslow; O. G., Mrs. Christine Summons, Williams; trustees: Mrs. Myrtle Matthews, Mrs. Clara Armstrong, Matthews, Phoenix; Mrs. Clara Armstrong, Miami; Mrs. Cora Suder, Prescott.

There are eighteen lodges in the state and every lodge was represented. The next session of the assembly, the Grand Lodge and the Grand Encampment of the Odd Fellows will be held in Safford.

the five he worked for them. He also told of hushing up by the payment of a small sum, a scandal in which he was involved with a young woman.

Upon leaving South Africa, Waite returned to the United States and went to Grand Rapids to live. Soon after his arrival there he met Miss Peck and began to court her.

"Were you in love with her?" he was asked.

"I don't know," was the reply.

Then he told of declaring to her "I'll make you love me." He admitted knowing that the Pecks were very wealthy and explained that the family received him "very nicely."

Later he met the Pecks at Palm Beach and it was there Miss Peck consented to marry him. He hung his head as he admitted the theft of a \$10 bill from Mrs. Peck's purse while at the Florida resort.

Telling of his betrothal to Miss Peck he said that two weeks before their marriage he almost broke their engagement.

"I was not so sure of her love," he explained.

He then told of coming to New York with his bride and taking an apartment on Riverside Drive. Soon after establishing himself here he formed an acquaintance with Miss Katherine Peck, the elderly and wealthy aunt of his bride, which soon developed into an affection on her part which was reciprocated by him to an extent. He said his aunt-in-law was "always very kind" and that on several occasions she offered him money, but that he refused to accept it.

Later Waite sold real estate for Miss Peck and invested the money. Several months after his marriage he received \$30,000 from her with which he opened a brokerage account in his own name, paying her two per cent interest. Subsequently, she entrusted him with about \$20,000 more. Finally, his personal funds and Miss Peck's became so confused he could not tell which were hers and which his.

"How much did you steal from Miss Katherine Peck?" he was asked.

"I don't know," was the reply.

Waite declared all Miss Peck's funds either had been returned to her or were still on deposit. He said that while he was in the hospital after his arrest he signed a paper turning over to her not only her own money, but all that of his own which he had mixed with it. Earlier in the day, Waite's brother, Frank, had told of having this paper signed.

Frank Waite, the dentist's brother, was the first witness for the defense. He testified as to alleged facts concerning Waite's deficient mental condition.

Waite, as a boy, was cruel to animals, developed a habit of lying and used to steal from his boarders in his home and from classmates at school and college, according to Clyde Waite of Grand Rapids, another brother.

Warren Waite, the dentist's father, who next testified, said that Miles Waite, the prisoner's grandfather, disappeared from his home in 1871, and was never again seen by his family.

One of the witnesses' aunts died in an insane asylum, one of her sons is now in an asylum and another was for a time in a psychopathic hospital in Ann Arbor, the witness said, adding that a cousin was deaf and dumb.

Just before the birth of Arthur W. Waite, his mother was in a weakened condition, the father testified. Arthur gave him more trouble than the other children.

"He was a liar and thief in his school days and once took \$200 from his schoolmate," said Mr. Waite.

"Arthur was always disobedient and in later years, morose at times," said the witness.

Depositions from Dr. Waite's fellow students in the university of Michigan were read.

One said Waite was erratic, nervous and held himself aloof from his fellows at the university.

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UNABATED FIRE HOLDS GERMANS OUT OF VERDUN

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the Persian front, Constantinople says the Turks have stopped the advance of the Russians in the region of Kasr-I-Shirin and also defeated Russian detachments at Sulamish, northeast of Kasr-I-Shirin.

Unofficial advices from Athens say that heavy bombardments and infantry actions have taken place from Doiran to Gjevelli, on the Maceonian front, and that the entente allies have dropped bombs on several towns in Serbia held by the Teutonic allies.

Foothold Gained

PARIS, May 25.—German troops made an attack last night on French positions on the Verdun front, east of the Meuse, near the Haumont quarry, and obtained a footing in one of the French trenches.

East of the village of Cumieres, to the west of the Meuse, the French made some progress in hand grenade fighting.

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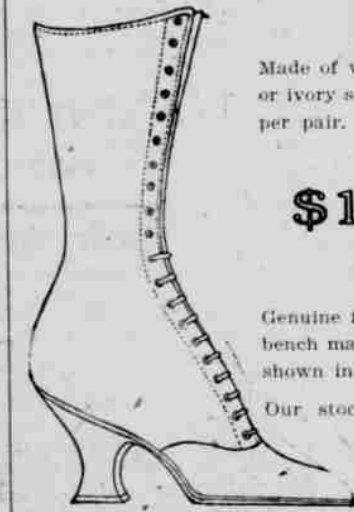
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authorities of maps of the Verdun region, shows that within the last month German gains on the west bank of the Meuse from Cumieres to Aycoeur average a depth of 300 meters. The line eastward from the river is substantially the same as it was a month ago.

From Berlin

BERLIN, May 25.—(By Wireless to Saville).—The repulse of three counter attacks by the French on the village of Cumieres, west of the Meuse, was announced by the war of-

fice today. The capture of additional French trenches southwest and south of Fort Douaumont and the recapture of Haumont quarry, by the Germans are also reported.

From Rome

ROME, May 25.—The situation on the front along the high plateau of Arserio is still grave, but it is not alarming," says a semi-official announcement issued here today concerning the Austro-Hungarian attempt to widen the only line occupied on Italian territory.

The Italian military authorities, it is said, have taken all necessary measures to prevent a further Austrian advance, and are organizing a counter offensive.

Subs Again Busy

LONDON, May 25.—Reports received here by shipping companies indicate that submarines have been busy recently in the Mediterranean, where a considerable number of ships, both belligerent and neutral, have been sunk.

With the exception of two cases, is regarded here as being especially

important, since it connects the German lines east and west of the river. It will make impossible, hereafter, the flanking fire on the Germans west of the river from the French position on the east bank.

The Germans took and consolidated the position in the Cumieres grove, north of the village, in the fighting between March 7 and 11.

The capture of Cumieres also has the effect of further menacing the French hold on the Gaurettes wood, just south of the village, which is now being attacked from three sides.

According to the reports, the attacking submarines displayed at the time a large Austrian flag. Warning was given in each instance, but a number of persons were either killed by explosions or drowned by the overturning of life boats. On two occasions the submarine, according to the advices, showed a German flag.

BERLIN, May 25.—(Via London 7:10 p. m.)—The capture by the Germans of the village of Cumieres, on the Verdun front just west of the Meuse, is regarded here as being especially